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FIG. 1 is a graph depicting the effect of DEPC inactivation of heparinase III on rate constant.

FIG. 2 is a graph depicting the pH dependence of the second order rate constant of inactivation upon incubation of heparinase III with varying concentrations of DEPC.

FIG. 3 is a graph depicting the quantification of DEPC-modified histidine residues in heparinase III over a period of time.

FIG. 4 is a graph depicting the substrate protection of heparinase III inactivation by DEPC III.

FIG. 5 is a reverse phase HPLC profile of a lys-C digest of heparinase III which was not exposed to DEPC (top panel) and a peptide profile of heparinase III labeled with DEPC (bottom panel).

FIG. 6 is a series of graphs depicting SAX analysis of exhaustive heparinase III digests of heparan sulfate. Heparan sulfate was digested with either heparinase III from F. heparinum (panel A), recombinant heparinase III (panel B), H295A mutant enzyme (panel C), H510A mutant enzyme (panel D), or the H105A mutant enzyme (panel E).

FIG. 7 depicts a circular dichroism analysis of recombinant heparinase III and the H295A mutant enzyme, and the H510A mutant enzyme.

FIG. 8 is a graph depicting tumor volume in mice, as well as mice treated with heparinase I.

FIG. 9 is a bar graph depicting number of lung nodules that developed 13 days after tail vein injection of B16 BL6 cells. The cells were either treated with PBS, heparinase I, or heparinase III.

FIG. 10, panel A, depicts the tumor volume of mice that were treated with GAG fragments generated from treatment of B16 BL6 cells with either heparinase I, heparinase III, or PBS or fragments generated from heparinase I treatment of LLC cells. Tumor volume was measured over time between 7 and 15 days postinjection of the tumor cells.

FIG. 10, panel B is a bar graph which quantitates the number of lung nodules of the mice described in panel A.

FIG. 11 is a bar graph depicting the effect on B16 cellular migration and invasion of transfection with antisense 20ST in pCDNA3.1.

FIG. 12 shows bar graphs depicting the ability of the transfected cells of FIG. 12 to develop into primary tumors as assessed by mean tumor volume (12a) and tumor weight (12b).

FIG. 13 depicts the results of compositional analysis of HLGAG saccharide fragments released from B16BL6 cells.

FIG. 14 is a bar graph depicting FGF2 signaling modulated by HLGAG fragments

FIG. 15 is a table (15a) and a schematic depicting the modulation of FGF2 activity in vivo by B16BL6 fragments (15b).

AB The invention relates to heparinase III and mutants thereof. Modified forms of heparinase III having reduced enzymatic activity which are useful for a variety of purposes, including sequencing of heparin-like glycosaminoglycans (HLGAGs), removing active heparan sulfate from a solution, inhibition of angiogenesis, etc. have been discovered according to the invention. The invention in other aspects relates to methods of treating cancer and inhibiting tumor cell growth and/or metastasis using heparinase III, or products produced by enzymatic cleavage by heparinase III of HLGAGs.

TI Heparinase II from Flavobacterium heparinum: Role of histidine residues in enzymatic activity as probed by chemical modification and site-directed mutagenesis.

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AB The three heparinases derived from Flavobacterium heparinum are powerful tools for studying heparin-like glycosaminoglycans in major biological processes, including angiogenesis and development. Heparinase II is unique among the three enzymes because it is able to catalytically cleave both heparin and heparan sulfate-like regions of heparin-like glycosaminoglycans. Toward understanding the catalytic mechanism of heparin-like glycosaminoglycan degradation by heparinase II, we set out to investigate the role of the histidines of heparinase II in catalysis. We observe concentration-dependent inactivation of heparinase II in the presence of the reversible histidine-modifying reagent diethylpyrocarbonate (DEPC). With heparin as the substrate, the rate constant of inactivation was found to be 0.16 min⁻¹ mM⁻¹; with heparan sulfate as the substrate, the rate constant was determined to be 0.24 min⁻¹ mM⁻¹. Heparinase II activity is restored following hydroxylamine treatment. This, along with other experiments, strongly suggests that the inactivation of heparinase II by DEPC is specific for histidine residues and that three histidines are modified by DEPC. Substrate protection experiments show that heparinase II preincubation with heparin followed by the addition of DEPC resulted in a loss of enzymatic activity toward heparan sulfate but not heparin. However, heparinase II preincubation with heparan sulfate was unable to protect heparinase II from DEPC inactivation for either of the substrates. Proteolytic mapping studies with Lys-C were consistent with the chemical modification experiments and identified histidines 238, 451, and 579 as being important for heparinase II activity. Further mapping studies identified histidine 451 as being essential for heparin degradation. Site-directed mutagenesis experiments on the 13 **histidines** of **heparinase II** corroborated the chemical **modification** and the peptide mapping studies, establishing the importance of histidines 238, 451 and 579 in heparinase II activity.

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